

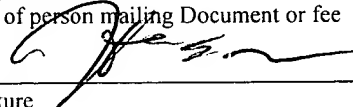


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Serial No.: 09/828,701  
Filed: April 6, 2001  
For: Electronic Meter Having Random Access Memory with Passive Nonvolatility  
Group Art Unit: 2829  
Examiner: E. Karlsen  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In connection with the Office Action dated November 6, 2002 in the above-entitled application, Applicant respectfully requests a five (5) month extension in which to file a response, from December 6, 2002 to May 6, 2003.

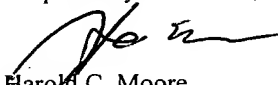
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